GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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RESTORATION OF DEMOCRACY IN MYANMAR
Subba Shri Moni Kumar

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken by the Union Government with the help of ASEAN to restore democracy in Myanmar;

(b) whether the steps have proved fruitful;

(c) if so, the extent to which the situation has improved; and

(d) the reaction of Myanmar thereto?

Answer

THE MINITER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED)

(a) - (d): Government of India has consistently supported the process of dialogue, political reform and national reconciliation in Myanmar. We have offered Myanmar assistance in building constitutional institutions and a democratic polity. We have not sought the assistance of any regional grouping in this regard. The Government of Myanmar has assured us of its commitment to building a modern, democratic state suited to Myanmar`s needs and conditions.